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27 May 1959

MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant Director for Operations

SUBJECT: 8th Czechoslovakian Geographical Congress--
Request for OD Assistance

1. During the period 26 June-3 July 1959, the 8th Czechoslovakian Geographical Congress will be held in Opava, Czechoslovakia. Several Satellite geographers and cartographers will be in attendance, and there will be considerable opportunity for the gathering of useful intelligence information. The most direct method of insuring coverage of this conference would probably be through the attendance of [REDACTED]

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Attempts are currently being made to obtain both a visa and an invitation to the conference, but the best available estimate is that these will not be forthcoming.

2. In order to insure the desired coverage, initial inquiries have been made with respect to the possible attendance of [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] and, in the course of a summer in the Satellite areas, expects to be in Czechoslovakia close to the time of the conference.

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3. [REDACTED] has determined that [REDACTED] would be willing to alter his itinerary to attend the conference if some compensation were allowable. No specific sum has been mentioned.

4. Because of the importance of contacts and support information which may be obtained at this conference, not only for use in furthering Czechoslovakian procurement, but also for use in all Satellite operations, it is requested that your financial support and contact assistance be provided in insuring the utilization of this man.

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5. [REDACTED] will be available for detailed briefing in New York on June 2, one day prior to his sailing for England. The Map Library Division, ORR, would like to assist in the briefing [REDACTED]

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